REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	22 March 2004
Name of applicant/court:	Secretary for Internal Affairs
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Hustler's Barely Legal Australian Edition 11 2002
Other Known Title(s):	Hustler's Barely Legal Aus. Edition 11 2002
Director(s):	Not Applicable
Producer(s):	Not Applicable
Publisher:	JT Publishing (PTY) Ltd
Author(s):	Not Applicable
Format:	Magazine
Country of Origin:	Australia
Language(s):	English

Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature: Running time:

Trailers: Running time:

Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The magazine *Hustler's Barely Legal Australian Edition 11 2002* is classified as: Objectionable.

The magazine tends to promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The magazine comprises photographic sequences containing depictions of young naked females and explicit sexual text. Even though these models are said to be over 18 years of age, some of them appear younger. The accompanying text accentuates this by concentrating on youthfulness and sexual inexperience or promiscuity. Collectively the images and text are presented for the sexual arousal of the adult male reader and present young persons as legitimate partners for adults in sexual activity. The magazine therefore tends to promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.

The criteria applied by the Office of Film and Literature Classification resulting in the ban on the availability of this publication are prescribed by law. For the reasons given above, this publication tends to promote and support an activity listed in s3(2) of the Films, Videos, Publications Classification Act 1993, thus deeming the publication objectionable. A classification of "objectionable" places a limit on the right to the freedom of expression as set out in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, in relation to this publication, the classification is considered to be a reasonable limit prescribed by law that can be demonstrably justified in a free and democratic society.

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